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## SNARS Coronavirus Bored as Hell Antidote!

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### PRODUCT REVIEWS: CW MORSE -

#### Amateur Radio... A Family Tradition Since 1969

<https://cwmorse.us/>

Please take a look at their broad line of high quality keys, paddles and code oscillators all US made! The family history goes back more than 50 years in amateur radio. Please take a look:

<https://cwmorse.us/about-us/>

Try one in your shack and become a believer ! Great for portable operation also ..... I have several in my go packs. Very reasonably priced.



**RADIO HISTORY: Morse code** was invented by an American called Samuel Finley Breese **Morse**, (1791-1872). He was not only an inventor but also a famous painter. Before the invention of the telegraph, most messages that had to be sent over long distances were carried by messengers who memorized them or carried them in writing.

<https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2019/05/simply-elegant-morse-code-marks-175-years-and-counting>



WWII Morse code practice session.

Great article on the history of using Morse code.....

<http://www.mtechnologies.com/pubs/cw.htm>

### HOW TO: MAKE YOUR FIRST CW CONTACT -

It is like asking a girl for a first date. The more you do it the easier it is - practice does make it easier.

<http://www.felge.us/BeginGuideCW.htm>

Beginners guide to getting on the air!



<http://k4kpk.com/cw-cheat-sheet>

Helpful cheat sheet.

Have fun and enjoy the many facets of amateur radio !  
As always if you have any questions, please contact us.  
Stay tuned!  
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### From Jim Shepherd W6US.....

Here is a shameless plug for my video in lieu of the First Wednesday Ham Radio Night

"The First Wednesday Ham Radio Night at the REOC is still cancelled this month, HOWEVER, there is a new video on the SNARS Youtube channel on contesting. Go to [WWW.SNARS.ORG](http://WWW.SNARS.ORG) and at the bottom left corner you will see Youtube highlighted in blue, click on that and it will take you right to the page. It will explain a lot of what went on with the 7QP demo at the Video Club Meeting last Saturday."

(ED:) or you could just click here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yponfTWXozs>

Thanks, 73 Jim W6US